



MANSFIELD ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN
Wednesday, JANUARY 4, 2012

Minutes

Members Present: K. Grunwald (staff), K. Krider (staff), J. Woodmansee (staff), G. Bent, J. Stoughton, F. Baruzzi (in at 6:40pm), M. LaPlaca (in at 6:40pm) R. LeClerc, J. Goldman, J. Higham, V. Fry, E. Soffer Roberts, S. Anderson, P. Braithwaite, MJ Newman, A. Bloom, L. Dahn, C. Guerreri, E. Tullman and Y. Kim

Regrets: L. Young, S. Daley, Marianne Barton

ITEM	<i>DISCUSSION</i>	<i>OUTCOME</i>
Call to Order	J. Stoughton called the meeting to order at 6:37pm	
Consent Agenda	Approval of Minutes from the December 7, 2011 meeting.	<u><i>Motion:</i></u> <i>J. Higham moves to approve the 10/5/11 regular meeting minutes as written. V. Fry seconds and the motion passes unanimously.</i>
Updates	K. Grunwald reported that a meeting with CCEA is scheduled for later this month. S. Anderson reported on her presentation to the Town Council. K. Grunwald noted that the Town Council will ultimately approve the use of the land for the playground. Potential sites were briefly discussed.	
Mansfield's Plan for Young Children	Teams were asked that use time in their Team meetings to compare the original indicators listed in the Mansfield's Plan for Young Children dated June, 2009 with the Interim Report dated December 2011 and report the status of each indicator. The Health Team reported that they met with Janice Mills from food services at the Mansfield Middle School regarding school nutrition. It was noted that a new indicator would need to be created around school nutrition. In addition, the team discussed children's asthma and data sources for this potential new indicator. The Successful Learners Team reported that they are struggling with their original indicators. Members briefly discussed data sources and in particular the preschool screening. The Community Connectedness Team reported that they are unable to create indicators without seeing the data.	

	<p>K. Grunwald reported that the \$12,500 from the SDE has been received and that we will be applying to GMF for a Bridge Grant to cover March 31st through June 30th. He also noted that there are funds available in the budget to do things which support the plan. There was a brief discussion regarding using funds to update bus routes.</p> <p>Members discussed the idea of having a retreat regarding the needed updates of the plan. Members discussed what this retreat could accomplish, who should be in attendance and, when it should happen.</p>	
Adjournment	<p>The meeting adjourned at 7:40pm.</p> <p>Next MAC Meeting, Wednesday, February 1, 2012, 5:00pm – 6:30pm for Team Meetings and 6:30pm – 7:30pm for full meeting.</p> <p>Next Executive Council meeting on Wednesday, February 8, 2012, 1:15pm – 2:45pm at Town Hall in Conference Room B</p> <p>Agenda topics: Please send to Kathleen at kriderk@mansfieldct.org</p> <p>Respectfully submitted, Jillene B. Woodmansee Assistant to the Early Childhood Services Coordinator</p>	

“All Mansfield Children ages birth through 8 years old are healthy, successful learners connected to the community.”